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CHILI GIVES IN.

Matta's Offensive Note Will Be Withdrawn.

ARBITRATION ASKED FOR.

Harrison Sent a Special Message to Congress Which Brought Her to Her Senses.

He Dwelt on All the Recent Events Which Led to the Present Complications and Said That the Southern Republic Must Come to the Front with Proper Reparation, in Double-Quick Time, or Old Reliable Uncle Sam Would Present Her With a Few Pounds of Lead.

SANTIAGO, CHILI, Jan. 26.—The Chilean government has sent a reply to the ultimatum of the United States. The reply is in effect as follows:

Chili agrees to withdraw the offensive note sent by Senator Matta to all the Chilean ministers abroad, and acknowledges that its issuance was due to an error of judgment. Chili also withdraws its request for the withdrawal of United States Minister Egan. In addition the Chilean government in its answer proposes that the affair of the attack on the Baltimore sailors in Valparaiso be submitted to the arbitration of some neutral nation. If this proposition is not acceptable to the United States government the Chilean government suggests that the matter be submitted to the decision of the supreme court of the United States.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—Secretary Blaine early in the day received a cablegram from Minister Egan, at Santiago, saying that President Montt was at "The Baths" and the minister of foreign affairs asked delay until President Montt would return. It is probable President Montt has returned, and that this is the explanation of the unexpectedly prompt back down of Chili.

LONDON, Jan. 26.—At the foreign office here no information can be obtained that England had offered to be arbiter in the troubles between the United States and Chili, a report which has been much circulated of late.

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

Full Text of the Document—He Asks Congress to Enforce Uncle Sam's Demands.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—The long-expected message of the president was sent to congress yesterday.

It is a strong but conservative document, and while the president indicates that he thinks we must vindicate our honor by force, he leaves the responsibility for further action wholly with congress.

Following is the president's message:

To the Senate and House of Representatives:

In my annual message, delivered to congress at the beginning of the present session, after a brief statement of the facts then in the possession of this government touching the assault on the streets of Valparaiso, Chili, upon the sailors of the U. S. S. Baltimore, on the evening of Oct. 16 last, I said: "The government is now awaiting the result of an investigation which has been conducted by the criminal court at Valparaiso. It is reported unofficially that the investigation is about completed and it is expected that the result will soon be communicated to this government. In the meantime, it is my duty to state that I am disappointed and surprised that the investigation should be so long delayed. I will, by a special message, bring this matter again to the attention of congress for such action as may be necessary."

In my opinion the time has now come when I should lay before congress and the country the correspondence between this government and the government of Valparaiso, Chili, from the time of the breaking out of the revolution in Chili, to the present time, together with the diplomatic correspondence of the executive department relating to this matter. The diplomatic correspondence is herewith transmitted, together with correspondence between the naval officers for the time in command in Chilean waters and the secretary of the navy, and also the evidence taken at the Baltimore island yard since the arrival of the Baltimore in Valparaiso. I deem it necessary in this communication to attempt a full analysis of the correspondence or the facts of the case, and a statement of the international questions involved and the reasons why the responses of the Chilean government are unsatisfactory to all that I deem necessary.

Minister Egan Fully Sustained.

It may be well, at the outset, to say that, whatever may have been said in this country or in Chili in criticism of Mr. Egan, our minister at Santiago, the true history of this case, as shown in the correspondence herewith transmitted, sustains him until this time, discloses no act on the part of Mr. Egan unworthy of his position or that could justly be the occasion of serious animadversion of criticism. He has, I think, on the whole, borne himself, in very trying circumstances, with dignity, discretion and courage, and has conducted the correspondence with ability, courtesy and fairness.

It is worth while also at the beginning to say that the right of Mr. Egan to give shelter in the legation to certain adherents of the Balmaceda government who applied to him for asylum has not been denied by the Chilean authorities, nor has any demand may have been said in this country or in Chili for the surrender of these refugees. That there was urgent need of asylum is shown by Mr. Egan's note of Aug. 24, 1891, describing the disorders that prevailed in Santiago, and by the evidence of Captain Schley as to the pillage and violence that prevailed at Valparaiso. The request of Mr. Egan for a safe conduct from the country, in behalf of these refugees, was denied. The president's decision in this case, in response, particularly the case of the revolution in Peru in 1885, did not leave the Chilean government in a position to deny the right of asylum to political refugees and seemed very clearly to support Mr. Egan's contention that a safe conduct to neutral territory was a necessary and acknowledged incident of the asylum. These refugees have very recently, without formal safe conduct, yet by the acquiescence of the Chilean authorities, been placed on board the Yorktown, and are now being conveyed to Callao, Peru.

Offensive Police Surveillance.

This incident might be considered wholly closed but for the disreputable conduct toward this government by the

close and offensive police surveillance of the legation during most of the period of the stay of the refugees therein. After the date of my annual message and up to the time of the present communication to the Yorktown the legation premises seem to have been surrounded by police, and the police agents or detectives, in civilian dress, who ostensibly scrutinized persons entering or leaving the legation and, on one or more occasions, arrested members of the minister's family. Commander Evans, who, by my direction recently visited Mr. Egan at Santiago, his telegram to the secretary of the navy, described the legation as "a veritable prison," and states that the police agents of detectives were, after his arrival, withdrawn during his stay. It appears further, from the note of Mr. Egan, of Nov. 30, 1891, that on one occasion at least, the police agents, whom he declares to be known to him, invaded the legation premises, pounding on the windows, and using insulting language toward persons therein. This breach of the right of ministerial freedom from police espionage and restraint seems to have been so frequent that Mr. Egan, who was then dean of the diplomatic corps, having observed it, felt called upon to protest to the Chilean minister of foreign affairs.

The Chilean authorities have, as will be observed from the correspondence, charged the refugees and the minister with insulting the police; but it seems to me incredible that men whose lives were in jeopardy and who were being so severely treated by the police should be so easily secured by retirement and quietness should have sought to provoke a collision with the police only in their destruction, or to aggravate their condition by insulting a popular feeling that, at one time, so threatened the legation as to require Mr. Egan to appeal to the minister of foreign affairs.

But the most serious incident disclosed by the correspondence is that of the attack upon the sailors of the Baltimore in the streets of Valparaiso on the 16th of October last. In my annual message, speaking of this incident, I said: "So far as I have yet been able to learn no other explanation of this bloody work has been suggested than that it had its origin in hostility to these men as sailors of the United States, wearing the uniform of their government, and not in any individual act or personal animosity."

Not Even a Hint at Apology.

After summarizing the correspondence up to a certain point the president says:

The communications of the Chilean government in relation to the cruel and disastrous attack upon our men, as will appear from the correspondence, have not in any degree taken the form of a manly and satisfactory expression of regret, much less of apology. The event was of so serious a nature that it required a manly and direct testimony and an acknowledgment of the fact that the vessel is American is evidence of the fact that the vessel is American and in every regularly documented merchant vessel the crew will find their protection in the flag of their country.

I have as yet received no reply to my note of the 21st instant, but in my opinion I ought not to delay longer in bringing this matter to the attention of congress for such action as may be deemed appropriate.

[Signed] BENJAMIN HARRISON.

EXECUTIVE MANSION, JAN. 25, 1892.

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The Egan correspondence begins Aug. 15, 1890, with a letter from Mr. Egan to the Balmaceda ministry which constituted a precursor to the revolution. Many chapters of the correspondence are now history, and history is now the subject of the present session. The one fact that is established is that Minister Blaine, in his correspondence with the Chilean minister, was not only friendly but also helpful of a friendly termination, I have awaited the report which has but recently been made.

Text of the Ultimatum.

On the 14th instant I caused to be communicated to the government of Valparaiso, by the American minister at Santiago, the conclusions of this government after a full analysis of the evidence and of every suggestion affecting this matter, and to the conclusions I adhere. They were stated as follows:

First.—That the assault is not relieved of the early information of the event gave it, viz: That an attack upon the sailors of the United States navy, having its origin and motive in a feeling of hostility to the United States, was committed in the streets of Valparaiso, Chili, on the 16th of October, 1891.

Second.—That the public authorities of Valparaiso, Chili, failed in their duty to protect our men and that the assault was committed by Chilean soldiers and sailors were themselves guilty of unprovoked assault upon our sailors and that the assault was committed by Chilean soldiers and sailors were themselves guilty of unprovoked assault upon our sailors.

Third.—That the president is therefore compelled to bring the case back to the position of the government of Valparaiso, by the American minister at Santiago, the conclusions of this government after a full analysis of the evidence and of every suggestion affecting this matter, and to the conclusions I adhere. They were stated as follows:

In the same note the attention of the Chilean government was directed to the offensive character of the note addressed to Mr. Matta, its minister of foreign affairs, by Mr. Montt, its minister at the capital, and that the note was not only a direct insult to the United States government, but also a direct insult to the United States government, and that the note was not only a direct insult to the United States government, but also a direct insult to the United States government.

The request for the recall of Mr. Egan upon the ground that he was not persona grata, was unaccompanied by any suggestion that could properly be used in support of it, and infer that the request was based upon the official acts of Mr. Egan. The Chilean government has received the approval of this government, but it is not to be considered until it had first been satisfied

whether our correspondence with Chili could be conducted upon a basis of mutual respect.

The Demands should be Enforced.

In submitting these papers to congress for that grave and patriotic consideration which the questions involved demand, I desire to say that I am of the opinion that the demands made by this government should be adhered to and enforced. If the dignity, as well as the prestige and honor of the United States, are not to be wholly sacrificed, it is necessary that those who in foreign ports display the flag or wear the colors of this government should be protected against insult, brutality and death. It is the duty of the United States government and not for any fault of their own to protect their flag and colors.

It has been my desire in every way to cultivate friendly and intimate relations with all the governments of this hemisphere, and to increase the exchanges of commerce upon a basis of mutual benefit. We regret every civil contest that disturbs their peace and paralyzes their development and always ready to give our good offices for the restoration of peace. It must, however, be understood that this government will not extend its strong and adequate protection to its citizens, to its officers and to its humblest sailors, who made the victims of wantonness and cruelty and resentment, not of their personal misconduct but of the official acts of their government.

Upon information received that Patrick Schley, an Irishman, and probably a British subject, but at the time a crew member of the American steamer Keeweenaw, in the harbor of Valparaiso for repairs, had been subjected to personal injuries in the city, largely by the police, I directed the attorney general to cause the evidence of Schley to be taken in the crew of that vessel to be taken upon the arrival in San Francisco, and that testimony is also herewith transmitted.

The brutality and even savagery of the treatment of these poor men by the Chilean police would be incredible if the evidence of Schley were not supported by other direct testimony and by the distressing condition of the man himself when he was finally able to reach his vessel.

He came back a wreck; black from his neck to hips, from beating and stupid, and is still in a kind of paralyzed condition and has never been able to do any work since.

A claim for reparation has been made in behalf of this man, for while he was not a citizen of the United States, the doctrine of long held by the United States in the consular regulations is: "The principles which are maintained by this government in regard to the treatment of its citizens, as distinguished from the relief, security and well settled. It is held that the circumstances of the case are such as to require that the vessel is American is evidence of the fact that the vessel is American and in every regularly documented merchant vessel the crew will find their protection in the flag of their country."

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